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LEADER OF CITY AND COUNTY PASSES AWAY; LAST RITES MONDAY P. M.

Attorney Walter J. Gex, 59, Stricken While on Vacation Trip in Florida—Known For His Brilliant Mind and Splendid Work For Community—State Sustains Irreparable Loss.

Walter Joseph Gex, Senior, son of the late L. M. Gex and Mrs. Victoria M. Demourelle Gex, while on a vacation of rest and general relaxation in Florida, died Saturday night at about 9:30 o'clock at his room at the San Carlos Hotel, Pensacola, while preparing to return home, the next day, after a ten-day absence.

Mr. Gex was feeling in the pink of condition the night previously, he said, and wrote a number of letters and cards to friends back home. After he had arisen and later on complained of not feeling well was suddenly stricken, losing consciousness from which he never rallied.

He asked that his son, Walter J., be sent for and also for other members of his family. It was suggested that his personal physician, Dr. M. J. Wolfe, of Bay St. Louis, be called for as well as his professional nurse, Mrs. Nolan Ladner, to which he assented and looked forward to their coming with eagerness and satisfaction.

His family reached his bedside as early as possible and were with him long before he passed away. He was comforted with the last attentions of his church. Present were Mrs. Gex, his wife, Mrs. M. A. Phillips and Miss Ethel Gex, two daughters, and two sons, Walter J. and Lucien M. A third daughter, Mrs. Wallace Catchings, who resides at Hazlehurst, Miss., was en route to his bedside and had just reached Bay St. Louis that night when the intelligence of his death was flashed.

The body was turned over to the Fahey Mortuary Company, of Bay St. Louis, personal friends, prepared for burial and reached here at an early hour the next morning by overland route.

It was brought to the home early Sunday afternoon where it reposed and was viewed by many friends and acquaintances.

Messages from all parts of the country came pouring in as soon as the metropolitan press carried the story and it became known he had passed away.

Walter Joseph Gex was a native of New Orleans and was 59 years old on January 25 of this year. He had gone to school in New Orleans during his boyhood years and later attended St. Stanislaus College.

Later he attended University of Mississippi and studied law, graduating with unusual honors. He at once began the practice of law and entered upon the brilliant career that followed.

He is survived by his wife, the former Miss Amanda von Cohnen, a daughter of the late Dr. and Mrs. L. H. von Cohnen, the Doctor a famous physician and surgeon of his day and who took an active part in the affairs of the community, for years a member of the city council.

The children are Wena, wife of Mr. M. A. Phillips; Ethel Gex and Stella, wife of Mr. Wallace Catchings residing at Hazlehurst. Sons are Walter J. and Lucien M., the latter city attorney, and both attorneys of this city. The son, Walter, was actively associated with his father and a member of the firm.

A brother, Emile J. Gex, county attorney, and a sister, Miss Victoria Gex, also survive.

There are seven grandchildren, Gaynell and Horton Gex, Patricia, Lucien M. and Gerald Gex, and Walter James and M. A. Phillips, Jr. A sister, Lucie, wife of Robert L. Genin, died only ten months ago and another sister, Nina, wife of Sylvester Ladner, died only a few years ago, while on a visit to New York City. And years ago another sister, Stella, Mrs. Andre Ducatel, mother of Mrs. Sidney Prague, died at her home in New Orleans.

A number of cousins and other relatives also survive.

Funeral Monday Afternoon.

The last rites incidental to the funeral ceremony took place Monday afternoon from the late residence on South Beach Boulevard, at 3 o'clock. The Rev. Leo F. Fahey conducted the ceremony at the house, after which the body taken to the church of Our Lady of the Gulf, the ceremony continued there and concluded at the scene of burial in beautiful Cedar Rest Cemetery.

Here, all that was mortal of the late beloved citizen and friend was tenderly laid away given to the bosom of mother earth for keeping to the ages. The massive bronze casket was lowered into the confines of a steel grave vault, a freshly-made mound there marked the resting place. Here were numerous floral offerings of all kinds and sizes, massive and smaller, but all rich in expressions of sorrow and sympathy, of fulsome tenderness and

LAST RITES FOR WELL-KNOWN MISS. GULF COAST ATTORNEY



WALTER J. GEX, SR.

Who passed away suddenly Saturday night while visiting at Pensacola, Fla., and was buried Monday afternoon at "Cedar Rest."

MARDI GRAS WRECK PROVES FATAL TO FORMER RESIDENT

trio Drowned While En Route to New Orleans For Carnival.

Houma, La., Feb. 7.—Three persons drowned and a fourth was seriously injured today as their automobile plunged from the Old Spanish Trail into Bayou Black about eight miles west of here. They were en route to New Orleans to celebrate the carnival season.

The dead were Mrs. Thomas E. Killen, Sr., of New Orleans; her granddaughter, Jean Moresi, 3, of Jeanerette, and a negro chauffeur, Joe Green, also of Jeanerette.

The girl's mother, Mrs. Harry Moresi of Jeanerette, was rescued from the canal and rushed to a Houma hospital where Dr. Willard Ellender described her condition as critical.

Harry Moresi, father of the dead child and husband of the injured woman, witnessed the tragedy thru the mirror of another automobile he was driving immediately ahead of the one that plunged into the bayou.

He said it appeared that the chauffeur lost control of the car, which, after zigzagging across the highway, finally went off on the left shoulder of the road and into the adjacent canal.

With Moresi were his mother and three nephews and nieces. They too, were on their way to New Orleans for Mardi Gras.

Moresi said he immediately stopped his machine. He reached the scene in time to rescue his wife.

The bodies of Mrs. Killen and the chauffeur were recovered by Sheriff F. X. Bourg of Terrebonne parish and John Folkes, Terrebonne parish conservation commissioner, who arrived shortly after the accident occurred.

The child's body was recovered after dragging the bayou.

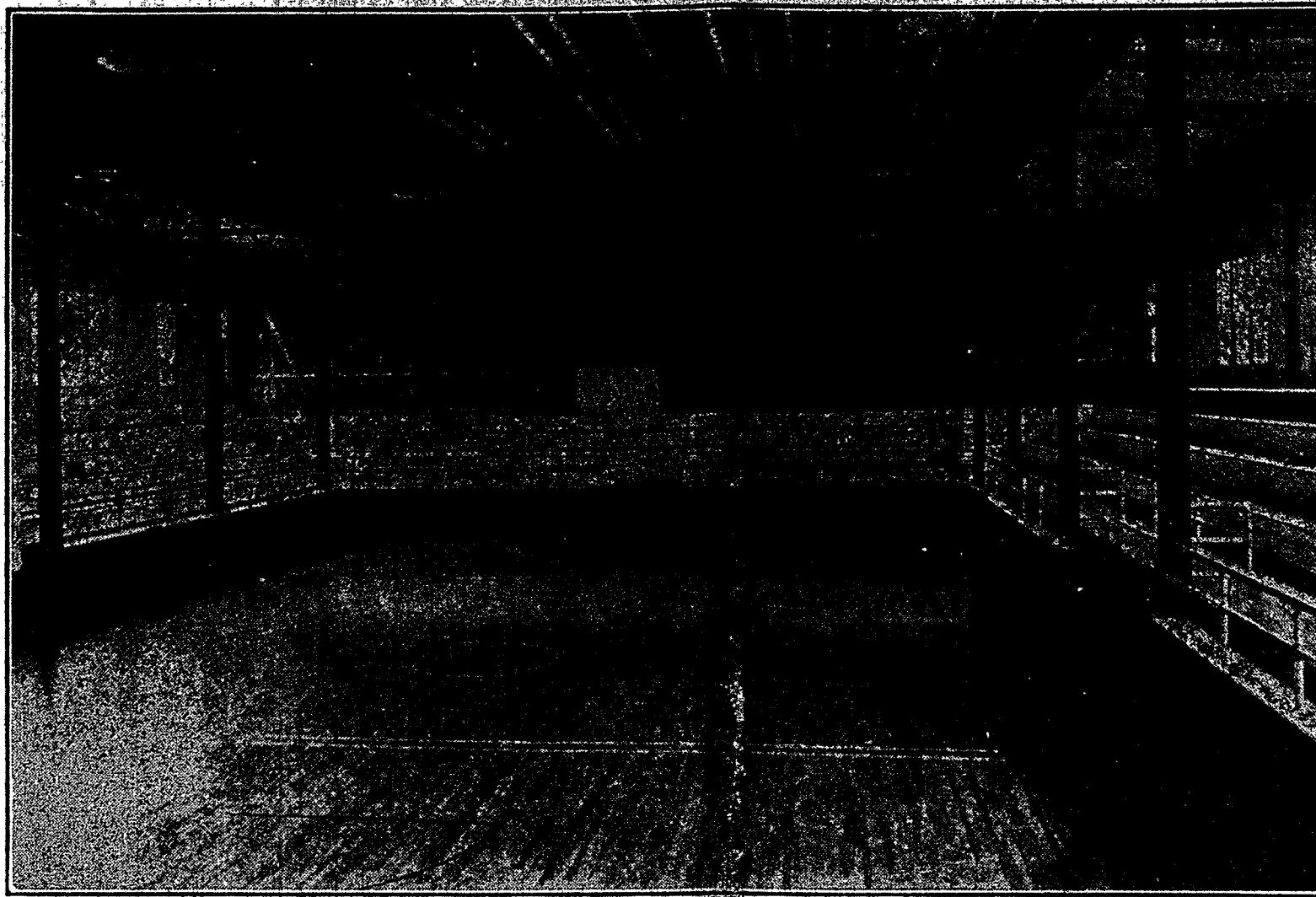
The Moresi family is well known in the Teche country, being associated with a large foundry at Jeanerette.

Mrs. Killen was well known here as a former resident.

sweet as marking a precious memory. Pall bearers were Federal Judge Sidney Mize, Chancery Judge D. M. Russell, Hon. C. L. Waller, of Tallahassee, Fla.; Capt. I. B. Remyson, of New Orleans; Post Master H. C. Glover; Clerk of the Courts, A. G. Favre; Hon. Emilio Cue, Charles G. Moresi.

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BAY HIGH'S RECENTLY COMPLETED GYMNASIUM.



—Courtesy of The Student Prints.

One can gain from this interior view of the gym a vivid picture of its modern equipment and beauty. It is to be the scene of the Class A and B Tournaments of this region. The Class B Tournament is to be held February 16-20, while the tournament in class A division will be held February 24-27. The public is invited to attend these ensuing games for which there will be a slight charge of admission.

CELEBRATE FOUNDERS DAY 10TH.

Central P. T. A. Has Special Program for Occasion—Junior Girls Give Playlet.

The Bay Central P. T. A. celebrated National Founders' Day at the school, Wednesday, February 10. A special program for this fortieth anniversary was arranged by Miss Beattie Givens. Her junior girls gave a playlet, entitled, "Reminiscence."

Mrs. A. J. Boyles opened the meeting with prayer. The President's Message was read by Mrs. J. C. Baxter. Through an error the truck did not call for the old papers and magazines last Friday so everyone is asked to have their papers ready this Friday, February 12, and they will be collected.

It was announced that all the dogwood trees procured for Arbor Day were disposed of the first day of arrival. It is hoped these trees will bring added beauty to the city in years to come.

Mrs. C. C. McDonald announced the joint Mississippi-Louisiana celebration of the fortieth anniversary of the founding of P. T. A. to be held in New Orleans at the Tip-Top Inn at the Roosevelt Hotel, Friday, February 19th. The observance of the event will consist of a luncheon at which all P. T. A. members are invited to attend.

Miss Julia Blaize told of the program observed by Bay Central School during Conservation Week. Everyone was much interested in the splendid posters designed by Mrs. K. W. Pepperdene and Mrs. Sanford for the occasion of Founders Day.

At the end of the business meeting a silver offering was collected by Mary Virginia Terry and Virginia Seal, dressed in Colonial costumes, in observance of the season. This collection will be the birthday gift of the association to the National organization.

At the reception following, a large birthday cake decorated with red hearts and forty candles adorned the tea table. Red camellias and candles completed the Valentine motif.

The second grade won the prize for having the most mothers present. Those in charge were Mrs. Burg, Mrs. Philabert, Mrs. Gager, Mrs. N. Dick and Mrs. Carl Marshall.

Bay St. Louis Resident Loses Brother In New Orleans Tuesday P. M.

Mr. Chas. Zerr, well-known local resident, connected with the A. & G. Theater, was called to New Orleans early this week by a message announcing the illness and subsequent death of his brother, Mr. George Zerr, who passed away on Tuesday afternoon, February 9, 1937, at 4:55 o'clock.

The funeral was held from the funeral home of P. J. McMahon & Sons, 4800 Canal street, on Thursday morning, February 11th, at 11 o'clock, followed by services at St. Patrick's Church. Interment was in Greenwood cemetery.

Mr. Zerr is survived by three brothers, Charles, Robert and Philip Zerr, the latter two, of New Orleans. Mr. Charles Zerr has the sympathy of his many friends here, as well as in New Orleans.

ARBOR DAY PROGRAM GIVEN AT SCHOOL AT GAINESVILLE

Governor White's Proclamation Read—Two Trees Planted

On Friday afternoon, February 5th a very interesting program was given at the school house.

After welcoming the patrons and guests, Mrs. Jeanne Williams read Governor White's proclamation, this was followed by a talk, "The Conservation of Wild Life and Forest," by Miss Caro Weston, then the pupils rendered the following:

Arbor Day Song—School. Origin of Arbor Day—Eutis Miller. Our Trees—Miss Eutis Miller. Arbor Day—Herbert Jones. Recitation—Grayson Miller. Dedication—Albert Miller. Planting Song—School.

By voting the pine was declared the most popular tree. Two trees were planted on the school campus, a dogwood dedicated to Governor White, and a cedar dedicated to the county superintendent of education, Kenneth McCarty.

Sermons Lenten Season at DeLisle Catholic Church.

Rev. R. J. Sorin, pastor church Lady of Good Hope, DeLisle, announces the following Lenten schedule, sermons by guest speakers from other churches, beginning evenings 7:30 o'clock.

February 18th—Rev. Joseph F. Hennessey, S. J., Biloxi, Miss. February 25—Rev. William Bauer, S. V. D., Bay St. Louis.

March 2—Rev. T. L. Lilley, C. M., Long Beach, Miss. March 11—Rev. Patrick Moran of Bay St. Louis, Miss.

March 18—Rev. Leo F. Fahey of Bay St. Louis, Miss.

Holy Thursday—Rev. Chares Reinett, S. V. D., Bay St. Louis.

Mass every morning at 7 o'clock except on Monday at 5:30 a. m. for those who have to work and wish to go to communion.

Way of the cross every Friday before mass.

Woman's Missionary Society to Hold Feb. Meeting, Tuesday, 16.

The February meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society of the M. E. Church, South, will be held Tuesday afternoon, February 16th, at 3 o'clock, at the residence of Mr. Eximious on North Beach Boulevard, with Misses Georgia and Josephine Miller as hostesses. Topic for the meeting: "Christian Missions and Health."

By an oversight, the name of one of the committee heads was omitted from the publication of the proceedings of the January meeting. This was Miss Mae Edwards who is chairman of the committee on Christian Social Relations.

Fourth Weekly Meeting Of Epworth League

As was expected the fourth meeting of the Epworth League held Sunday, February 7, 1937, proved a success. The large attendance was surprising with the absence of only two. Stories and talks were told in an interesting manner, which held the attention of all the listeners.

At the close of the meeting everyone's delight cocoa and pastries were served.

The absence of Mrs. Anderson was regretted, but we hope to see her back Sunday.

BAY HIGH SCHOOL GYM IS OPENED

Tournaments to be Held in New Gym Feb. 16-20 And Feb 24-27

The Bay High School new gymnasium was opened to the public for the first time on February 3, 1937, at which time the Bay High basketball teams played Long Beach.

The new gym is directly connected with the rear of the auditorium and may be entered thru it. There are also four outside entrances for spectators and four arrangements, considered one of the best on the Coast, efforts room for fifteen hundred spectators when completed.

There are two locker rooms for girls and two for boys as well as a cafeteria and small store room.

The two tournaments which will be played are considered a dedicatory exercise for the gymnasium.

The class B Tournament will be held February 16 through the 20th. The Class A Tournament will be held Feb. 24 thru 27th.

Schedule of play of First Round is as follows:

Tuesday, February 16—

1. Saucier vs. Sellers, Girls at 7 P. M.

2. Pass Christian vs. Saucier, boys at 8 P. M.

3. Carriere vs. Sellers—Boys, 9 P. M.

Wednesday afternoon, Feb. 17—

4. D'Arville vs. Industrial—boys at 12 P. M.

5. Industrial vs. Woolmarket—Girls, 1 P. M.

6. Daisy Vestry vs. Wiggins—Boys, 2 P. M.

7. D'Arville vs. Daisy Vestry—Girls, 3 P. M.

8. Woolmarket vs. Magnolia—Boys, 4 P. M.

9. Pass Christian vs. Wiggins—Girls, 5 P. M.

Wednesday night—Feb. 17—

10. Dedeaux vs. Long Beach—Girls, 7 P. M.

11. Long Beach vs. Poplarville—Boys, 8 P. M.

12. Dedeaux vs. Lyman—Boys, 9 P. M.

Thursday afternoon, Feb. 18—

13. Carriere vs. Henleyfield—Girls, 12 P. M.

14. McNeil vs. Success—Girls, 1 P. M.

15. McNeil vs. Savannah—Boys, 2 P. M.

16. Savannah vs. Vancleave—Girls, 3 P. M.

17. Vancleave vs. Success—Boys, 4 P. M.

18. Kiln vs. Orange Grove—Girls, 5 P. M.

Thursday night, Feb. 19—

19. Home Vocational vs. Lyman—Girls, 7 P. M.

20. Stewart vs. Home Vocational—Boys, 8 P. M.

21. Orange Grove vs. Kiln—Boys, 9 P. M.

Second round of play will begin Friday morning, February 19 at 9 a. m. with a game each hour thru-out Friday—three games Friday night with quarter finals and semi-finals Saturday morning and Saturday afternoon. Finals Saturday night beginning at 7:30 p. m. Appropriate trophies will be awarded to the winners of both boys and girls teams.

Social Security Board is now assisting 1,476,400 persons.

BAY ST. LOUIS CROWNS CARNIVAL QUEEN AT BALL THURSDAY NIGHT

Dr. James A. Evans King For Annual Occasion—Brilliant Court Surrounds Royal Pair—Affair Attracts Many Locally and From Away.

N. C. C. W. HOLDS MEET AT PASS

Attendance Increase Urged at Meetings—Paper Read By Mrs. Clancy.

The Bay St. Louis District of the National Council of Catholic Women held its regular monthly meeting, Wednesday, February 10th, at 3 P. M., at Pass Christian. In spite of extremely cold weather, there was a splendid attendance from Long Beach, Pass Christian and Bay St. Louis. The pastors of the three parishes were also in attendance.

Reading of a paper on the Catholic press by Mrs. J. C. Clancy, of Long Beach, was most interesting.

The reports on the spiritual and charitable works were splendid. The president, Mrs. J. C. van Cloostere, of Long Beach, asked for an increasing attendance at each meeting and stated this was a good way in which to begin Lent.

These meetings are extremely interesting and instructive and every Catholic woman in the District is urged to attend. Also occasionally there is a joint meeting with the Biloxi and Pascagoula districts, which serves to bring the Catholic women from the entire coast in friendly contact and which meetings always prove highly successful in promoting Catholic action.

Attend the next N. C. C. W. meeting in your district.

Contributions to Flood Relief Through The American Red Cross

Previous Collections	\$426.90
Bay High School	6.00
The Misses Hoffman	5.00
Third Grade-Bay Hi	2.68
Cash	2.00
Mrs. Sarah Favre	2.00
R. J. Ladner	1.50
Mrs. A. Rauxet	1.50
Cash	1.15
Mrs. Leach	1.00
Mrs. A. W. Moore	1.00
Mrs. P. V. Lacoste	1.00
Cash	1.00
Miss Ida Edwards	1.00
Miss Mae Edwards	1.00
Mrs. Gus Soniat	1.00
Mrs. F. J. Bopp	1.00
Aug. Schiro	1.00
Victor Cohn	1.00
Mrs. Otto Fayard	1.00
Mrs. C. M. Shipp	1.00
Otto Fayard	1.00
Dr. W. S. Speer	1.00
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Mrs. Claude Kohler	1.00
Miss Kathleen Renshaw	1.00
Mr. and Mrs. R. Cagle	1.00
Mrs. Drake	1.00
Mrs. Harry Glover	1.00
Mrs. R. L. Mitchell	1.00
Mrs. F. J. Wolfe	1.00
Mrs. M. W. Briggs	1.00
Mrs. Millard Toule	1.00
Claude Kohler, II	1.00
Mrs. E. F. Erath	1.00
Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Baker	1.00
Miss Cuervo	1.00
A. O. Scaife	1.00
Joe Scatfield	1.00
Mrs. Octave Fayard	1.00
Larry Mauffray	1.00
Mrs. N. Dick	1.00
Mrs. A. P. Ramsey	1.00
Mrs. E. P. Hervey	1.00
Miss Saucier	1.00
Mrs. J. B. Goldman	1.00
Flat Top School	1.00
John Osinach	1.00
Total to date	\$485.79

MEETING OF ST. STANISLAUS PARENTS CLUB

A regular meeting of St. Stanislaus Parents Club to be held in the Lounge at the College on Wednesday, February 17th. All members are requested to be present.

NOTICE

The King's Daughters Hospital of this city is in need of a dresser, and anyone having an old or second-hand one and willing to donate it please communicate with Mrs. C. E. Craft, at the hospital, and same will be sent for and appreciated.

WPA jobs in the nation were reduced by 736,686 in 1936.

Decided success crowned the fourth Annual Bay St. Louis Carnival King and Queen ball and court at St. Joseph Memorial Hall on Thursday evening of last week.

Miss Marjory Seuzeneau, beautiful young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Seuzeneau of Bay St. Louis, was queen and well and graciously did she wear the jeweled crown and mantle of royal magnificence.

Dr. James A. Evans, well-known and popular resident, and president of city school board trustees, was honored with the recognition of the kingship for 1937.

When the curtain rose from the footlights the king was standing at his place on the throne, surrounded by a semi-circle of dukes, the latter waiting the arrival of the lovely maids who came from the rear of the building, escorted by members of the floor committee of which L. S. Elliott was chairman.

The march, each couple widely separated, brought forth much applause all of which was merited. Old fashioned bouquets were carried by the maids from the Lorraine Flower Shop at Pass Christian.

Later, following this line of procession, Miss Seuzeneau, the queen, regal in stature and fair and slender, and gown in white satin, with bodice trimmed with gold leaf-like patterns, followed, accompanied by the general chairman of the Carnival organization, her crown of gold was studded with rich rhinestones.

She wore a Medici collar of pearls and a mantle of deep red plush velvet fell in graceful train from her shoulders to a long distance over the floor. The mantle was gorgeously embroidered with gold and rhinestone, with deep border.

She carried an arm bouquet of American Beauty roses, appropriately tied.

In addition to the King and Queen the court was composed as follows:

Former king and queen—Mr. Ed. Arceneaux and Miss Marie Bertrand. Pages—Patsy Gex, Kay Ford, Carol Stevenson, Beverly Favre, Joan Quintini, Sylvia Ladner.

Dukes and Maids—Mr. Robert L. Camors and Mrs. W. J. Gex, Jr., Mr. Walter J. Gex, Jr., and Miss Jane Elizabeth Jaden; Mr. Emilio Cue and Mrs. Alfred Vassalli; Mr. James Bostwick and Mrs. Ed. Arceneaux; Osbourne Blaize and Miss Vera Banderet; Mr. V. J. Gianelloni and Miss Margaret Jane Williams; Mr. Ed. Carrere, Jr., and Miss Marion Orte; Mr. Leo Blaize and Miss Marion Becker; Mr. Van Platter and Miss Ruby Lafferty; Mr. Giles Gianelloni and Miss June Elliott; Mr. Alan Ansley and Miss Adelaide Heitzmann; Mr. John Bryan and Miss Alice Vivian Evans; Mr. Ogden Kergosien and Miss Adams; Mr. Harry Glover, Jr., and Miss Dorothy Tudury; Mr. Sam Benigno and Miss Elsie Mae Carver.

Many paid homage to the king and queen as they ascended the stage.

The queen's present to each of the maids was a perfume bottle to carry in one's purse.

Following the court ceremony, for the entertainment of the royal couple, three fancy dance numbers were executed by Bay St. Louis pupils of Miss Imelda Troxler, of the Troxler School of Dance.

Young Miss Betty Lee Mitchell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Mitchell, gave a cleverly performed tap number and was applauded for an encore number.

Little Miss Ruth Gray, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Gray, also gave a pleasing and successful tap dance number, while Misses Lucy and Ann Weston, young daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Harold B. Weston presented a minuet dance, in costume, with becoming charm and reminiscent of the days of hoopskirts and candle lighted ball rooms.

Miss Troxler came out from New Orleans for the occasion and personally directed the program.

The two first dances were for the court, after which the spacious place was turned over to the dancers from the large attendance, dancing to the ingratiating strains of the music by the Bay St. Louis Blue Melody Orchestra.

A feature of the stage was the new kind of decoration, which Mrs. Kenneth W. Pepperdene had introduced. Mrs. George Stevenson was chairman of the decoration committee.

The Carnival Ball was given under the auspices of the Mothers' Club of St. Joseph Academy, of which Mrs. M. L. Jaden, chairman court committee, had a wide scope of work and which she carried out to a marked degree. Her work was a major job, demanding time and attending to many exciting details. To Mrs. Jaden goes the lion's share of credit.

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PASSING OF LEADING CITIZEN.

THIS community and section of the State generally was shocked to hear of the unexpected passing of Walter J. Gex, Sr., who had years ago taken his place in the affairs of men and for the betterment of conditions and people.

An attorney by profession he stood high. He was acknowledged an unparalleled leader. His success bears this out.

He was a hard worker, a man of ability and capacity. He knew not time nor limit. He had wonderful power for endurance and for years practically worked day and far into the night. The trust placed in him by client was paramount. Ever true to a trust he never betrayed a confidence and was never negligent of an obligation. His fine legal mind and thorough knowledge of the law, coupled with his capacity, served in fine stead.

As a citizen he was ever a leader and a doer. He was successful not only personally but always triumphed in any endeavor he undertook or cause espoused.

In the passing of this outstanding character we have sustained a loss that will be keenly felt for time without limit. His memory will live and he has left to his family and friends and the community that imperishable heritage of having done much and that well of aiding others and serving amply. And in the majority of cases without price. He only asked for the satisfaction of being able to serve others.

None can take his place.

RELIEF AND THE FLOOD.

JUST about the time that officials at Washington were beginning to believe that the burden of relief could be reduced in measurable proportion, the flood struck the Ohio and Mississippi river valleys, leaving thousands of people in dire need of assistance for some time to come.

From a peak of 3,083,973 employees in February of last year, the WPA enrollment dropped to 2,187,944 in December and Administrator Hopkins was predicting a cut of about a half million more in the next six months. The flood disaster will cause the rolls to increase, may delay the much-sought balanced budget and possibly keep taxes a little higher a little longer.

Even so, what can a nation do but extend assistance to its stricken people? Are we to debate the cost, the administrative procedure or the technical legal perplexities that might stand in the way of effective relief? Should the Federal government go ahead and assume the task or should it stand aside and leave the job to individual States, that are unable to tackle or complete it?

ADVISING CONGRESSMEN.

NEW Congressmen at Washington were recently given advice by some of the older heads. Here is a sample:

"Answer those letters from constituents the day you get them. Reply first to those written in pencil on tablet paper. They come from somebody at the head of the creek who'll be your friend for life."

Answering letters promptly and sending constituents literature seem to be a popular method to impress voters with the fact that office-holders are their friends and that they are wise.

Officials should be elected for responsibility, however, upon more serious qualifications than the ability of hiring first-class secretaries who can flatter voters throughout the territory with letters and inconsequential attentions.

THEY WANT TO GET IN.

THERE must be something to the United States, after all. In spite of the perpetual howl of the calamity brethren and the dire prophecies of the dour seers there are people in the world anxious to get into this country.

Smuggling Chinese into the States, at from \$50 to \$500 a head, is said to be a well-organized business along certain borders. Even airplanes are used, along with ships, trains and automobiles. It's a luckless Chinaman, however, who happens to be the cargo when the border patrol gives close pursuit.

The story is told of bundles dropped from fleeing ships and there is an idea that airplanes, too, have thrown overboard their cargoes of determined Chinese, after having paid well for the trip.

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More than 27,000 persons have moved from drought-stricken areas of the Great Plains, says John C. Page, acting commissioner of the Bureau of Reclamation.

HOW ABOUT THE PRESS?

HOW influential is the Press? The answers that come back reveal widely different opinions. Just now, one hears much about the failure of the newspapers to exert decisive influence in the recent presidential election. Later, there will be other instances cited to show that newspapers, en masse, have lost their power among the people of the country.

Before going much further with this thought, it might be well to differentiate between the metropolitan press, with its huge investments and impersonal contact with readers, and the so-called country press, where the editor knows most of the people in his area, and what is just as significant, they know him. In this latter group the power of the press depends entirely upon what the community thinks of the "printer" or "editor," and it fluctuates accordingly.

The large-city press, with newspapers boasting hundreds of thousands of subscribers and millions of dollars in revenue, is seldom fortunate enough to possess enthusiastic followings. The newspaper, as an institution of news and entertainment, is bought as a bargain, its contents perused and the buyer is through with it. Seldom is it looked upon to champion any cause except the more general movements of the day.

The influence of larger newspapers rests largely upon their presentation of the news of their treatment of public topics. They attract the following that prefers what they offer. When they go wrong, in the opinion of their readers, the individual turns to a competing sheet. In the smaller communities, when the newspaper goes wrong, in the opinion of readers, the population is apt to take it as a personal affront and put up a fight to get the newspaper on the right track.

In some of the smaller cities and towns of the country there are newspapers which the public regards as almost a public possession, regardless of who owns or manages them. The populace is interested in what the newspaper advocates and often takes a hand in making known the prevailing opinion. Here, if anywhere, survives some vestige of editorial power and newspaper influence but just how strong it is, anywhere, depends upon the faith of a community in the ability and honesty of the representative of the Press.

Postmaster General Farley was the only member of President Roosevelt's cabinet to be reappointed. The other officials automatically continue in office but the term of the Postmaster is fixed by law and, consequently, a reappointment is necessary.

NEW HIGH AND A SHAME.

HERE'S a new high record for Americans to study: 38,500 people killed last year in automobile accidents.

The flood takes its victims in hundreds and the nation drops everything to send aid to the helpless victims. That's fine. More insidiously, a man-made evil creeps upon the public and slaughters more than one hundred persons a day. There is, in the face of these deaths, an appalling lassitude on the part of the public.

Safety campaigns have been waged with good effect in many American areas. That they have done good is evident from the fact that while traffic deaths, in 1936, were four per cent higher than in the year before there was an increase of eight per cent in the number of automobiles registered. In some States there was an actual reduction in the number of deaths although increased gasoline consumption proved that there was no reduction in car mileage.

There are, however, thirty States that have done practically nothing to develop highway safety. There must be a concerted effort to wipe out this slaughter. It will require action along many lines, including safety engineering, traffic regulation, strict enforcement, car inspection, education of drivers and pedestrians. To do these things will require some money and the states of the nation might as well get busy and provide the funds.

John G. Winant, who resigned as chairman of the Social Security Board, in the midst of the campaign to defend it from attacks, has insisted upon retiring. There is talk that he may be head of the newly-discussed Department of Public Works, if and when the President's reorganization proposal goes into effect.

FOOD PRICES AND PROSPERITY.

THERE is, we hear, some weeping and gnashing of teeth over the fact that the price of retail foods is advancing, having reached a six-year high as the New Year began.

While the general level was higher than at any time since March, 1931, it was only 84.6 per cent of the 1923-25 level. Encouraging, however, is the report that there has been a sustained increase in farm prices and that farmers, in Hancock County and elsewhere, are actually receiving prices for what they sell that are above the level of prices for the things they buy.

What we don't know about economics will fill many large volumes but we are intensely interested in seeing farm prices go up, because of our conviction that, in the long run, the prosperity of the people of the United States depends primarily upon the prosperity of the nation's farmers.

Meanwhile, what about advancing food prices? Well that will have to be met by advancing wages to people who work, by increased salaries to people supposed to work and, perhaps, by eating less food on the part of those who neither work nor are supposed to work.

HERE'S A BALANCE!

OLD age pensions have some people worried. They wonder who is going to pay them. They tell you that, with our national birth rate declining, more than one-third of our population will be over fifty years of age in less than fifty years.

It seems tough but, then, there are other statistics. One says that the population of the United States will begin to decline in the next fifteen years. Fifty years from now, says he, we will have only one-third as many children in the nation as now.

So what? Merely that if we have fewer children to support the nation may be able to care for its old people.

It's a Fact...



REGULAR MONTHLY MEET CO. BOARD SUPERVISORS.

This day came on for hearing and consideration by the Board of Supervisors of Hancock County, Mississippi, petition of Frank Dillman for reduction in the assessment of real property, assessed to the said petitioner as the owner thereof, at the page and line on said 1936-1937 real roll as shown in said petition, the said reduction being asked on the ground that the property has been assessed for more than its actual value.

And it appearing to the Board of Supervisors from the evidence, both oral and documentary, offered in support of said application that the circumstances alleged in said petition, as grounds for relief, are true and that said assessment should be reduced, and that the Board should so order.

It is, therefore, ordered by the Board of Supervisors of Hancock County, Mississippi, that the said petitioner, Frank Dillman, be reduced from \$1875.00, being a total reduction of \$1200.00 for the year 1936; and \$1200.00 for the year 1937.

It is further ordered, that the Clerk of this Board certify two copies of this order to the State Tax Commission, for its approval or disapproval; and, if the foregoing order be approved by the State Tax Commission, the Clerk of this Board is hereby authorized and directed to change the original assessment roll in his office, and the Sheriff and Tax Collector of this county is hereby authorized and directed to change the copy in his possession to conform with the provisions of this order.

And the Board being fully satisfied that petitioner is entitled to have said homestead exemption, as herein provided, and that the Board should so order.

And it appearing to the Board of Supervisors of Hancock County, Mississippi, petition of Kate Edwards Estate, be reduced from \$4750.00 to \$3250.00, being a total reduction of \$1500.00 for the year 1936; and \$1500.00 for the year 1937.

It is further ordered, that the Clerk of this Board certify two copies of this order to the State Tax Commission, for its approval or disapproval; and, if the foregoing order be approved by the State Tax Commission, the Clerk of this Board is hereby authorized and directed to change the original assessment roll in his office, and the Sheriff and Tax Collector of this county is hereby authorized and directed to change the copy in his possession to conform with the provisions of this order.

And the Board being fully satisfied that petitioner is entitled to have said homestead exemption, as herein provided, and that the Board should so order.

It is, therefore, ordered by the Board of Supervisors of Hancock County, Mississippi, that the said petitioner, Kate Edwards Estate, be reduced from \$4750.00 to \$3250.00, being a total reduction of \$1500.00 for the year 1936; and \$1500.00 for the year 1937.

It is further ordered, that the Clerk of this Board certify two copies of this order to the State Tax Commission, for its approval or disapproval; and, if the foregoing order be approved by the State Tax Commission, the Clerk of this Board is hereby authorized and directed to change the original assessment roll in his office, and the Sheriff and Tax Collector of this county is hereby authorized and directed to change the copy in his possession to conform with the provisions of this order.

And the Board being fully satisfied that petitioner is entitled to have said homestead exemption, as herein provided, and that the Board should so order.

It is, therefore, ordered by the Board of Supervisors of Hancock County, Mississippi, that the said petitioner, Kate Edwards Estate, be reduced from \$4750.00 to \$3250.00, being a total reduction of \$1500.00 for the year 1936; and \$1500.00 for the year 1937.

WHAT THE PRESS IS SAYING OF MEN AND MATTERS IN EDITORIAL EXPRESSION

NOTHING CAN TAKE THE PLACE OF THE PRESS.

(West Point Times-Leader)

IN their bid for national advertising, the broadcasting chains take a slap at the newspapers—forgetting for the moment that radio owes much of its present popularity to the general publicity accorded it by the press.

"We have no editorial page," say the broadcasters, "hence the news we disseminate is impartial, factual reporting."

The inference is that newspaper news is biased.

And every good newspaper man knows, as every good radio man ought to know, that this is untrue.

If we want to be mean, we could say with conviction that radio news is unreliable, because it isn't handled by trained newspaper men. The average radio announcer, or commentator, is utterly incompetent of interpreting trends, or of judging the value and importance of news. As the Jackson News truthfully says, "He is nothing more than a town crier."

"Town criers," you know, came into the world long before the first newspaper was born, but history hasn't handed down to us the name of a single one of them.

But the history of the past three hundred years is replete with the names of great editors and great newspapermen—men and instruments of enlightenment of which the world is proud.

We're glad that our newspapers are more than "town

A REAL MEDIUM

(The American Press)

THERE are two things to be said of the country weekly: it is the home-town newspaper and it is read thoroughly and carefully than any other newspaper.

Metropolitan papers are hurriedly read and then discarded by their buyers. The country weekly goes into the home and is read and reread by every member of the family. It goes over the back fence to the neighbor, who in turn passes it to his next neighbor, and it winds up on the freshly mopped kitchen floor in some home where it is again read.

It can be said in all truth that the country weekly is the most thoroughly read of all the newspapers; which makes it an outstanding medium for national advertising.

criers." We are glad that they have editorial pages, where men of great ability and high ideals, discuss the affairs in which we are interested, champion the rights of the weak and the underprivileged—and sometimes criticize those in high station.

If we were a national advertiser, and wanted to get the most for our money, we would spend it for newspapers that stand out from the crowd—with newspapers that have an editorial page and an editorial policy—whether we agreed with them or not.

We wouldn't want our advertising hawked by the "town crier," and we wouldn't want much of it to appear in spineless newspapers.

INTERESTING NEWS ITEMS OF THE MOVIES AND FILM FOLK IN HOLLYWOOD

GEORGE RAFT HAS GAINED

assigned for one of the leads in "You and Me." Both he and Carole Lombard refused parts when the production was first announced. Sylvia Sydney will play opposite Mr. Raft.

Beatrice Lillie has signed a contract to make four pictures for Major Productions, beginning in July. Major has also decided to star Mae West in a picture reminiscent of "She Done Him Wrong."

Gene Raymond and Ann Sothern will have the leads in "Take It Easy." The story, which was originally intended for Joe Penner, has been rewritten.

Zazu Pitts will be the third actress to play the role of Hildegarde Withers, opposite James Gleason, as Inspector Piper. Edna Mae Oliver and Helen Broderick had the role of Hildegarde before. The new story is "The Riddle of 40 Naughty Girls."

Threats of legal action against Helen Jepson, by Grand National, have been rumored. Miss Jepson recently signed up with Samuel Goldwyn for a series of musical and dramatic pictures after Grand National had announced that she would be with their studio.

Gloria Swanson, who has been absent from the films since 1934, will resume her screen career in "Maizie Kenyon," a play by Bayard Veal. Gloria, by the way, has dropped her four marriage names and will be known simply as Gloria Swanson.

Bing Crosby mailed 175,000 autographed photographs to fans last year. It is estimated that a total of 20,000,000 photographs from all of the stars are sent from Hollywood to admirers each year.

A two-acre field near Hollywood was recently converted into a muddy shell-blasted battle field for the making of "The Road Back." Among those burrowing in the mud were Slim Summerville, Andy Devine,

Noah Beery, Jr., and Richard Cromwell.

A perfect wave of influenza recently passed through Hollywood. Some of those who had to stop work were Gary Cooper, Randolph Scott, Walter Brennan, Lew Ayers, Barbara Stanwyck and Joel McCrea. One studio, in order to keep seven-five chorus girls from refusing to be inoculated, hired three handsome young doctors to handle the situation.

Mary Pickford considers Walter Huston the screen's best actor. She claims that personality is an actor's greatest asset.

In the making of "Seventh Heaven," three rats had to run across James Stuart's face in a war-trench and nibble cheese. Although the rats used were trained animals and not supposed to nibble faces, we haven't heard what Mr. Stuart thought about such goings-on.

Gypsy Rose Lee, the strip tease dancer, will be the next burlesque queen to enter the movies, so we hear. Mae West has been such a success in the films that she has almost forgotten her burlesque days and never refers to them.

Gracie Fields, the English comedienne, who was recently signed up for a series of American comedies, is known abroad as "the feminine Charlie Chaplin."

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Monthly Proceedings Board of Supervisors

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der. And the Sheriff and Tax Collector shall be properly credited with the reduction (if any) herein made.

This day came on for hearing and consideration by the Board of Supervisors of Hancock County, Mississippi, petition of Sun Oil Company, for reduction in the assessment of real property (Mineral Interest), assessed to the said Petitioner as the owner thereof, at the page and line on said 1936-1937 real roll as shown in said petition, the said reduction being asked on the ground that the property (mineral rights) was assessed for more than its actual value.

And it appearing to the Board of Supervisors from the evidence, both oral and documentary, offered in support of said application that the circumstances alleged in said petition, as grounds for relief, are true and that said assessment should be reduced.

And the Board being fully satisfied that petitioners are entitled to have said homestead exemption, as herein provided, and that the Board should so order:

It is, therefore, ordered by the Board of Supervisors of Hancock County, Mississippi, that property assessed to the petitioner, Sun Oil Company, be reduced from \$51,072.90 to \$25,536.45, being a total reduction of \$25,536.45 for the year 1936; and \$25,536.45 for the year 1937.

It is further ordered, that the Clerk

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of this Board certify two copies of this order to the State Tax Commission, for its approval or disapproval, and if the foregoing order be approved by the State Tax Commission, the Clerk of this Board is hereby authorized and directed to change the original assessment roll in his office, and the Sheriff and Tax Collector of this county is hereby authorized and directed to change the copy in his possession, to conform with the provisions of this order. And the Sheriff and Tax Collector shall be properly credited with the reduction (if any) herein made.

This day came on for hearing and consideration by the Board of Supervisors of Hancock County, Mississippi, petition of Myrtle Guiterrez, for reduction in the assessment of real property, assessed to the said Petitioner as the owner thereof, at the page and line on said 1936-1937 real roll as shown in said petition, the said reduction being asked on the ground that the property (mineral rights) was assessed for more than its actual value.

And it appearing to the Board of Supervisors from the evidence, both oral and documentary, offered in support of said application that the circumstances alleged in said petition, as grounds for relief, are true and that said assessment should be reduced.

And the Board being fully satisfied that petitioners are entitled to have said homestead exemption, as herein provided, and that the Board should so order:

It is, therefore, ordered by the Board of Supervisors of Hancock County, Mississippi, that property assessed to the petitioner, Myrtle Guiterrez, be reduced from \$900.00 to \$600.00, being a total reduction of \$300.00 for the year 1936; and \$300.00 for the year 1937.

It is further ordered, that the Clerk of this Board certify two copies of this order to the State Tax Commission, for its approval or disapproval, and if the foregoing order be approved by the State Tax Commission, the Clerk of this Board is hereby authorized and directed to change the original assessment roll in his office, and the Sheriff and Tax Collector of this county is hereby authorized and directed to change the copy in his possession, to conform with the provisions of this order. And the Sheriff and Tax Collector shall be properly credited with the reduction (if any) herein made.

This day came on for hearing and consideration by the Board of Supervisors of Hancock County, Mississippi, petition of Jos. A. Robin for reduction in the assessment of real property, assessed to the said Petitioner as the owner thereof, at the page and line on said 1936-1937 real roll as shown in said petition, the said reduction being asked on the ground that the assessment is excessive.

And it appearing to the Board of

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MUSICAL MYSTERY STARS TWO NEW SCREEN FINDS

Martha Raye and Shirley Ross Together in
"Hideaway Girl"

Two of Screenland's newest entertainers, Martha Raye and Shirley Ross, are together again in a musical picture of the type that has raised both to stardom within the past few months. The picture is "Hideaway Girl," a musical mystery, which comes to the A. & G. Theater, Sunday and Monday.

It was only a few months ago that Miss Raye was discovered in a Hollywood cafe by Norman Taurog, Paramount's director, who was then working on the Bing Crosby hit, "Rhythm on the Range." Taurog made a place for Miss Raye in the picture, playing a comic role opposite Bob Burns. Miss Raye scored such a hit that she was immediately cast in "The Big Broadcast of 1937" as Jack Benny's secretary. Again she was acclaimed.

In "The Big Broadcast of 1937" she also played with Shirley Ross, who had the leading feminine romantic role in the picture. This was Miss Ross's first important assignment and like Martha's debut in "Rhythm on the Range," it skyrocketed her to fame almost overnight.

In "Hideaway Girl" both actresses have roles similar to those they played in "The Big Broadcast." Miss Raye as a singing comedienne, and Miss Ross as the romantic lead opposite Robert Cummings. She also

Supervisors from the evidence, both oral and documentary, offered in support of said application that the circumstances alleged in said petition, as grounds for relief, are true and that said assessment should be reduced.

And the Board being fully satisfied that petitioners are entitled to have said homestead exemption, as herein provided, and that the Board should so order:

It is, therefore, ordered by the Board of Supervisors of Hancock County, Mississippi, that property assessed to the petitioner, Jos. A. Robin, be reduced from \$6,200.00 to \$4,000.00, being a total reduction of \$2,200.00 for the year 1936; and \$2,200.00 for the year 1937.

It is further ordered, that the Clerk of this Board certify two copies of this order to the State Tax Commission, for its approval or disapproval, and if the foregoing order be approved by the State Tax Commission, the Clerk of this Board is hereby authorized and directed to change the original assessment roll in his office, and the Sheriff and Tax Collector of this county is hereby authorized and directed to change the copy in his possession, to conform with the provisions of this order. And the Sheriff and Tax Collector shall be properly credited with the reduction (if any) herein made.

There coming on for hearing the petition of M. T. Bangard for a reduction in assessment on the following described property, to-wit: Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 198, 199, 200, 201, 202, 203, 204, 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—Mr. and Mrs. Alden Mauffray visited relatives in Mobile and enjoyed the carnival attractions.

—Mrs. T. B. Glover who is wintering at Pass Christian was among those who spent the Carnival in New Orleans.

—Mr. Rene de Montluzin spent the Carnival season in New Orleans attending the balls and participating in other festivities.

—Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Osinach, of Gulfport, accompanied by their son, Mr. Peter Osinach visited friends and relatives at the Bay Sunday.

—Among those attending the New Orleans Carnival were Mr. H. W. Osinach and children. They had as their guest Emile Piazza.

—Mrs. Kate Scales and niece, Miss Louise "Winky" Gerver of Mobile, spent several days in Bay St. Louis en route to New Orleans for the Carnival.

—Mr. John Rester, leading Hancock countian and successful farmer, was a visitor to the county seat Monday, returning to his home that evening.

—Mrs. H. Aberlein has returned to her home in New Orleans after a delightful visit of two weeks at the home of her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. V. Duocing.

—Mr. and Mrs. George R. Harris of Detroit and Cold Water, Michigan were among visitors to the Bay. They were greatly impressed by its beauty and pleased with the climate.

—Mr. and Mrs. Victor Demourelle who reside in Menge avenue, East Pass Christian, were here Sunday and Monday, called by the death and last rites for their relative, Mr. W. J. Gex.

—Mrs. R. W. Taylor, accompanied by her sister, Miss Ann McGinn and children, motored out from New Orleans Sunday, visiting Mrs. W. J. Gex, Sr., and family on the occasion of the visitation of a great sorrow.

—Mrs. A. Fournier, president local King's Daughters, came out from New Orleans Monday to attend the Gex obsequies. Mr. Gex was intensely interested in the work of the local hospital, of which organization she is president.

—Hon. Curtis L. Waller, member of the Florida Legislature, was among the many out-of-town visitors Monday to attend the W. J. Gex, Sr., obsequies. Mr. Waller a former law partner of Mr. Gex was also a life-long friend.

—Miss Louise Carriere, accomplished and popular young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edouard C. Carriere, returned home this week from New Orleans where she spent the Carnival season, and actively participated in the series of balls and country club entertainment, an active member of the younger society group.

—Lawyers of the Mississippi Coast bar gathered at Gulfport for the night, assembled at one of the hotels there to fete Sidney C. Mize newly appointed federal judge for this, the Southern district of Mississippi, who incidentally is waiting to receive his commission from Washington. Attorneys from Bay St. Louis to Pascagoula were present. Walter J. Gex, Jr., was spokesman for the Bay St. Louis delegation.

—Mr. Timothy V. Regan who was married February 2 in Jackson, Miss., to Miss Margaret Louise Garnett, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William James Garnett of Pimbroke, Kentucky, while on his honeymoon brought his lovely bride to the Bay to meet and become acquainted with his old time friends. Mr. Regan is the son of Mrs. Georgia Hyatt Regan of New Orleans, who formerly resided here. The romance that culminated in this happy union began in Washington, D. C., where Mr. Regan holds a responsible position. At present he is engaged in government work at Jackson, Miss., but later will reside in Washington.

Leader of City and County Passes Away Saturday

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a brilliant member of the bar he ever won the plaudits of the bench and courtroom for his rare genius as exemplified in the duties incidental to the practice of his profession.

Judge Russell Pays Fine Tribute. Judge D. M. Russell, of the local Chancery Court circuit paid a splendid tribute to the memory of Mr. Gex.

"We have lost a fine spirit, a generous personality and a brilliant and able lawyer, possibly, and I believe, the ablest in the State. He knew the law not only because of his exhaustive study, but because of his philosophy and high sense of justice; its adaptability because of its justice and that rare ability of finer discernment."

Judge Waller Pays Tribute.

Hon. Curtis L. Waller, member of the Florida bar and member of the Legislature, who came for the funeral, said that he had been associated with Mr. Gex in the practice of law for a number of years and attributed the greater part of his success and knowledge of the law to the fine tutelage of his departed friend.

"I consider Mr. Gex was the ablest lawyer I had ever known, his fine legal mind had no equal and as a practitioner of law he was without doubt the best. A capable man has gone and the loss is irreplaceable."

Messages of sympathy and tribute poured in to the family all day Sunday and Monday, and tributes were not only numerous but came from varied sources and were of such lofty character as to be most fitting.

Mr. Gex truly sacrificed his life to duty. He worked the better part of his life—assiduously to the demands of a task and diligently to exactitudes of detail. He was most painstaking worker—nothing allowed to remain undone and always aiming at ultimate goal that rendered the best service and maximum results to a client.

Far from mercenary, he gave much of his time and ability in assisting many—without pay and pay. Mr. Gex was quite modest and his many charities were carried on un-revealed. That is the way he wished. He was a man free from ostentation. He eschewed all show. He was conservative and shrank from publicity.

He gave that others might have. A liberal check, periodically given, to a church—

Paying for the education of a deserving young man in order he may become a physician and surgeon, which was accomplished.

Contributing regularly in abundant amount to the fatherless family of one who had served him in years in service, in order the wife and children might not go hungry and want—

These, and long list of similar gestures, are only three in number, suffice, however, to illustrate.

His outstanding work immediately prior to the time of his death was in behalf of rehabilitating both the names and local building King's Daughters' Hospital Bay St. Louis.

Mr. Gex liberally headed a list, soliciting cash donations, with which the operating room of the hospital was enlarged, an additional bath room for better convenience for the patients was also built, these and other improvements which he personally supervised from day to day until final completion.

He was also directly instrumental in procuring an x-ray machine in order to supply an insistent want and to meet requirements in order a State appropriation, part in monthly sums, might be forthcoming. He was an active worker for the hospital and ever seeking for its future interest, concerned about its finances of which he was so solicitous.

Only the day prior to his death, in a letter from Pensacola, addressed to the publisher of The Echo, he wrote, among other things:

"I have had splendid success with the birthday ball for the President, which you sponsored. Let us hold one for the suffering at the hospital."

His almost very last thought was for the hospital at Bay St. Louis; for the suffering. He wrote this the night before he was stricken and subsequently passed away.

Bank Closes for Day.

Out of respect and to the mem-

STRONG-PERRE

Miss Anna Mae Perre and Mr. Robert Strong, both of this city were quietly married on Friday, February 5, 1937, at the Church of Our Lady of the Gulf, Rev. A. J. Gmelch, pastor, performed the ceremony. Mr. August Vassalli and Miss Margaret Prevou, were the only attendants. Mr. and Mrs. Strong are both well known locally and have the best wishes of their many friends for a long and successful wedded life.

WEEKLY NEWS NOTES OF LOCAL KING'S DAUGHTERS HOSPITAL

Mrs. O. T. Pitts is still a medical patient.

Mrs. P. Ladner was discharged from the hospital Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Davis of Logtown announce birth of baby boy at the hospital on the 8th.

Mrs. H. L. Wilkerson and baby were dismissed from hospital this week.

Mr. John Benigno is still confined to his bed.

Mr. S. Nease is still at the hospital but will be able to leave at the last of this week.

Monthly Proceedings Board of Supervisors

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From Mamie Burroughs to Albert Walker:

Pl. of Lot 5, Sec. 819-5-16. From John F. Dicks, et al to W. A. McDonald:

Lots 8 and 9 B. L. & Imp. Co., Sq. 17 addition to Bay St. Louis. From F. Dicks, et al to E. A. Earhart & Burner:

Lots 6, 7, 10, 11, 14 to 23 inc., Sq. 17, Bay St. Louis L. & Imp. Co. Addition to Bay St. Louis.

From M. V. Gex to Mrs. M. J. Gallup: Lot 390 W. 61 ft. of the E. 148 ft. 3rd Ward, Bay St. Louis, to be assessed at \$425.00.

From Geo. H. Turcotte to Louis Coker: Lot 180, Third Ward, Waveland.

From Jos. S. Bourgeois to Michel Vallon: Lots 7 and 8, Sq. 8, Miss. Land & Abstract Co., Sub. Third Ward, Waveland.

From H. Weston Lumber Co., to Mrs. Dorothy L. Hoyer: Part SW 1/4 of SE 1/4, Sec. 21-8-16, 4 acres.

Part E 1/4 of NW 1/4, Sec. 28-8-16, 4 1/2 100 A. to be assessed at \$15.00. From People's Building & Loan to Miss Thessa Kate:

Lot 142, Fourth Ward, Bay St. Louis Land & Imp. From H. Weston Lbr., Co., to Rupert Landrum:

Part NE 1/4 of SE 1/4 Section 34, Township 8, Range 16, 1 1/2 acres. From H. Weston Lbr., Co., to Will Carter:

Pt. Simon Favre Claim, Section 31, Township 8, Range 16 West containing 15 acres, to be assessed at \$25.00.

From Riviera Land & Improvement Co., to Raymond Ladner: S 1/4 of Lot 2 on a dall Lot 4, Tanagerette's Sub. Second Ward, Town of Waveland, Miss., to be assessed at \$10.00.

From Leonard J. Clesi to F. C. Stacks, Jr.: Lots 19-12 Sq. 1, St. Charles sub. Fourth Ward, Bay St. Louis, to be assessed at \$20.00.

From Blythe & Co., to W. P. Jones: Lots 18, 18, 26, 27, Square 4 Waveland Park Sub. Third Ward, Waveland. To be assessed at \$40.

From H. Weston Lumber Co., to A. J. Saucier: Pt. V. B. Doby Claim, Sec. 29, T. 8, Range 16 West, containing 3 acres. To be assessed at \$5.00.

From W. A. McDonald to Placide Bourgeois: Lots 18-19, Square 4, Tipples Sub. 3rd Ward, Waveland, to be assessed at \$10.00.

From H. Weston Lumber Co., to Reuben H. Brown: Pts. o Lots 5 and 6 Section 17 T. 9, Range 16 West, containing 8.14 acres. To be assessed at \$20.00.

From George raebler to Mrs. L. Radovich: Lots 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 11, 13, Sq. 1 Burns Addition to Gulfview.

Congress plans seedy plugging of gaps in the neutrality act.

Ban on prison goods is held constitutional by Supreme Court.

Battle over relief is predicted by Representative Bankhead.

107 Russians, wrecked on Arctic island, are rescued by ship.

Railroad earnings are reported at the highest level since 1930.

Roper suggests taht industry has school for training workers.

"Shall business' still earns most of national income.

ory of Mr. Gex the Merchants Bank & Trust Company of Bay St. Louis transacted no business for the day on Monday.

He was one of the originators and potential founders of the bank in October, 1904, and ever since an active force and guiding spirit in its being and success. At the time of his death and ever since its organization he served the bank in the official capacity as general legal counsel.

As a mark of respect to his memory Judge D. M. Russell, chancery court, adjourned court at Gulfport for the day.

The student body of St. Stanislaus College, accompanied by Bro. William, president, and other members of the faculty, attended the church ceremony in a body.

Students of St. Joseph Academy and members of the faculty also attended the last church rites.

People in all walks of life from two States attended the funeral, perhaps the largest ever witnessed in this city and section.

Members of both municipal boards of Bay St. Louis and Waveland officially attended the funeral, as well as the mayor of Pass Christian. Members of the Board of Supervisors and officials of Hancock county also attended the last obsequies, both the City Hall and Courthouse closed during the hour of the funeral.

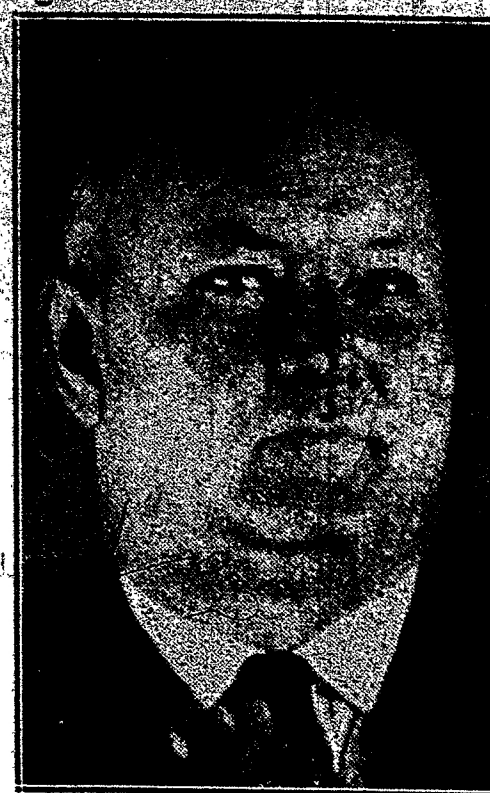
It would be hard to estimate the number of floral offerings. More difficult to describe the marvelous beauty of rare flowers. There were numerous designs, long sprays of calla lilies, carnations, roses, Easter lilies and other rare flowers, combining the most delicate hues with the deepest of rosette colors. Each carrying a message of sympathy and regret, silent yet eloquent in their exquisite rareness and beauty.

The community paid homage to this leading citizen and friend; they turned out in large numbers from all sections and it was fitting that not only this genius but brilliant-minded and generous citizen should be paid such tribute of love respect.

30-year hunt nets alleged Pennsylvania slayer in Ontario.

Mexico bans transshipment of U. S. war materials.

Professor Ingram Will Complete 11th Year Close of 2nd Semester.



PROF. S. J. INGRAM.

PROFESSOR INGRAM IN 11TH YEAR

Came to Bay High in 1925; High School Increased From 38 to 180 Since That Time.

Mr. S. J. Ingram will complete his eleventh year as Superintendent in Bay St. Louis with the close of this semester.

Mr. Ingram, who was connected with the Orange Grove school, came to Bay High in 1925. The enrollment in the entire high school department in 1925 was only thirty-eight students, and the faculty consisted of about ten teachers. When Mr. Ingram took charge Bay High was a two-story wooden structure. This old building was replaced by the present brick building in 1926.

"I have watched this school grow until this year the high school department alone consists of one hundred and eighty pupils and there are eighteen teachers in the faculty," stated Mr. Ingram.

Under Mr. Ingram's care the courses afforded the students have broadened also. In '25 only the usual school subjects were taught. Now every chance is given the students to better themselves. Home Economics, Physical Education, better equipped library and Science room are only a few of the improvements made in the school life of the pupils during that period.

The completion of the new gymnasium has become another helping factor toward a better school. Mr. Ingram has always looked forward to a gym in connection with Bay High but it was not until last year that plans were completed and work started. Much credit goes to Superintendent S. J. Ingram for the excellent school facilities in Bay St. Louis. Mr. Ingram is an outstanding school man in the educational circles of Mississippi.

—From the Student Prints, Feb. 10.

Conference of mayors asks WPA for \$877,500,000.

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

Default having been made, and now existing for a period of more than ninety days, in the payment of a part of the indebtedness of the Home Owners' Corporation secured by the deed of trust executed April 26, 1925, by Mrs. Jennie Louise Carmichael, and recorded in Book 28, pages 487-49, of the records of mortgages and deeds of the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, at Bay St. Louis, and the entire indebtedness secured thereby having been declared due and payable by said Corporation, the owner and holder thereof, and foreclosure of said deed of trust, will on

MONDAY, MARCH 8, 1937 within legal hours, offer for sale and sell at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash at the main entrance and front door of the Courthouse of Hancock County, Mississippi, at Bay St. Louis, the real property described in said deed of trust, situated in Bay St. Louis, County of Hancock, and State of Mississippi, to-wit:

Lots One (1) and Two (2) in Block Seven (7) of Louis Leouhard's Plat or Subdivision of Lots Sixty-four (64), Sixty-five (65), Sixty-six (66), Sixty-seven (67), Sixty-eight (68), Sixty-nine (69), Seventy (70), Seventy-one (71), Seventy-two (72), Seventy-three (73), Seventy-four (74), Seventy-five (75), Seventy-six (76), Seventy-seven (77), Seventy-eight (78), Seventy-nine (79), Eighty (80), Eighty-one (81), Eighty-two (82), Eighty-three (83), Eighty-four (84), Eighty-five (85), Eighty-six (86), Eighty-seven (87), Eighty-eight (88), Eighty-nine (89), Ninety (90), Ninety-one (91), Ninety-two (92), Ninety-three (93), Ninety-four (94), Ninety-five (95), Ninety-six (96), Ninety-seven (97), Ninety-eight (98), Ninety-nine (99), One hundred (100), One hundred and one (101), One hundred and two (102), One hundred and three (103), One hundred and four (104), One hundred and five (105), One hundred and six (106), One hundred and seven (107), One hundred and eight (108), One hundred and nine (109), One hundred and ten (110), One hundred and eleven (111), One hundred and twelve (112), One hundred and thirteen (113), One hundred and fourteen (114), One hundred and fifteen (115), One hundred and sixteen (116), One hundred and seventeen (117), One hundred and eighteen (118), One hundred and nineteen (119), One hundred and twenty (120), One hundred and twenty-one (121), One hundred and twenty-two (122), One hundred and twenty-three (123), One hundred and twenty-four (124), One hundred and twenty-five (125), One hundred and twenty-six (126), One hundred and twenty-seven (127), One hundred and twenty-eight (128), One hundred and twenty-nine (129), One hundred and thirty (130), One hundred and thirty-one (131), One hundred and thirty-two (132), One hundred and thirty-three (133), One hundred and thirty-four (134), One hundred and thirty-five (135), One hundred and thirty-six (136), One hundred and thirty-seven (137), One hundred and thirty-eight (138), One hundred and thirty-nine (139), One hundred and forty (140), One hundred and forty-one (141), One hundred and forty-two (142), One hundred and forty-three (143), One hundred and forty-four (144), One hundred and forty-five (145), One hundred and forty-six (146), One hundred and forty-seven (147), One hundred and forty-eight (148), One hundred and forty-nine (149), One hundred and fifty (150), One hundred and fifty-one (151), One hundred and fifty-two (152), One hundred and fifty-three (153), One hundred and fifty-four (154), One hundred and fifty-five (155), One hundred and fifty-six (156), One hundred and fifty-seven (157), One hundred and fifty-eight (158), One hundred and fifty-nine (159), One hundred and sixty (160), One hundred and sixty-one (161), One hundred and sixty-two (162), One hundred and sixty-three (163), One hundred and sixty-four (164), One hundred and sixty-five (165), One hundred and sixty-six (166), One hundred and sixty-seven (167), One hundred and sixty-eight (168), One hundred and sixty-nine (169), One hundred and seventy (170), One hundred and seventy-one (171), One hundred and seventy-two (172), One hundred and seventy-three (173), One hundred and seventy-four (174), One hundred and seventy-five (175), One hundred and seventy-six (176), One hundred and seventy-seven (177), One hundred and seventy-eight (178), One hundred and seventy-nine (179), One hundred and eighty (180).

Witness my signature this 6th day of February, 1937.

A. J. McLAURIN, Trustee.

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

Default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness due the Peoples Building & Loan Association of Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, according to the terms of the deed of trust securing same, executed April 9, 1928, by Marceline Mitchell and Ida Picou Mitchell, husband and wife, and recorded in Book 23, pages 180 of the records of mortgages and deeds of the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, in which said deed of trust the owner and the entire indebtedness secured thereby having been declared due and payable by said Association, the owner and holder thereof, and the undersigned by an instrument of writing dated February 9, 1937, and recorded in Book 31, pages 301-302 of said mortgage records having been substituted trustee of the said Geo. R. Rea and foreclosure of said deed of trust duly requested, I, as substituted trustee, will on

MONDAY MARCH 8, 1937 within legal hours, offer for sale and sell at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash, at the front door of the court house of Hancock County, Mississippi, the land situated in said county and state and described in said deed of trust as follows, to-wit:

The west 56 feet of Lot 180 (One hundred and eighty) Third Ward, as per an official map of the City of Bay St. Louis made by E. S. Drake, C. E., filed in the office of the clerk of the Chancery Court of said county, on May 1, 1923. Said lot has a frontage of 56 feet on the north line of Goodchildren Street, and a depth of 100 feet between parallel lines. Bounded on the east by a passage way, and west by Lot 181. Held subject to said deed of trust dated April 9, 1928.

Witness my signature this 10th day of February A. D. 1937.

W. STOCKSTILL, Substituted Trustee.

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